

The result was announced—yeas 22, nays 71, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 142 Leg.]

YEAS—22

Allard	Feingold	Martinez
Burr	Graham	McCaskill
Chambliss	Grassley	Sununu
Coburn	Hagel	Thomas
Cornyn	Inhofe	Thune
DeMint	Isakson	Vitter
Dole	Kyl	
Ensign	Lugar	

NAYS—71

Akaka	Dorgan	Murray
Alexander	Durbin	Nelson (FL)
Baucus	Enzi	Nelson (NE)
Bayh	Feinstein	Obama
Bennett	Gregg	Pryor
Bingaman	Harkin	Reed
Bond	Hatch	Reid
Boxer	Hutchison	Roberts
Brown	Inouye	Salazar
Bunning	Kennedy	Sanders
Byrd	Kerry	Schumer
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Sessions
Cardin	Kohl	Shelby
Casey	Landrieu	Smith
Clinton	Lautenberg	Snowe
Cochran	Leahy	Specter
Coleman	Levin	Stabenow
Collins	Lieberman	Stevens
Conrad	Lincoln	Tester
Corker	Lott	Warner
Craig	McConnell	Webb
Crapo	Menendez	Whitehouse
Dodd	Mikulski	Wyden
Domenici	Murkowski	

NOT VOTING—7

Biden	Johnson	Voinovich
Brownback	McCain	
Carper	Rockefeller	

The amendment (No. 930) was rejected.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we have a briefing at 4 o'clock. We are going to do this next vote and complete that. We have scheduled another vote right at 5:30. We are going to finish this bill tonight. If people have amendments, they should offer them.

These two managers have worked extremely hard to finish this bill. This will be a feather in the cap for bipartisanship. We are going to stay here tonight until we finish this bill. We have, as I understand it, about three amendments left after we do this one, but we should all have the opportunity to go to that briefing. So we will be back here at 5:30 after this next vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico is recognized.

AMENDMENT NO. 942

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Kohl amendment No. 942 be the pending amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BINGAMAN. I am informed that additional debate on this amendment is not needed and that there is no request for a rollcall vote, so I ask we proceed to a voice vote on this amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to amendment No. 942.

The amendment (No. 942) was agreed to.

Mr. BINGAMAN. I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. BOND. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I believe we can proceed to the second rollcall vote, which is the Coburn amendment No. 918.

AMENDMENT NO. 918

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be 2 minutes of debate on amendment No. 918 offered by the Senator from Oklahoma, Mr. COBURN.

Who yields time?

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, this amendment is one which I think would be bad policy, a bad precedent for us here in the Senate. It basically puts a hard and fast, drop-dead date on any legislation contained in this bill and says there is a sunset provision so that any program authorized here, any kind of activity permitted under this legislation, would be prohibited following that date in 2011. It is not the kind of sunset we would normally adopt on legislation. I don't think it is appropriate here. I urge colleagues to oppose the amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Who yields time in support of the amendment?

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. President, I yield back the time on this side.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to amendment No. 918.

Mr. COBURN. Mr. President, I request the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) are necessarily absent.

Mr. LOTT. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), and the Senator from Arkansas Mr. (STEVENS).

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 27, nays 67, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 143 Leg.]

YEAS—27

Allard	Ensign	Lott
Bayh	Enzi	Martinez
Burr	Graham	McCaskill
Chambliss	Grassley	Sessions
Coburn	Gregg	Shelby
Corker	Hagel	Specter
Cornyn	Inhofe	Sununu
DeMint	Isakson	Thomas
Dole	Kyl	Thune

NAYS—67

Akaka	Brown	Clinton
Alexander	Bunning	Cochran
Baucus	Byrd	Coleman
Bennett	Cantwell	Collins
Bingaman	Cardin	Conrad
Bond	Carper	Craig
Boxer	Casey	Crapo

Dodd	Leahy	Roberts
Domenici	Levin	Salazar
Dorgan	Lieberman	Sanders
Durbin	Lincoln	Schumer
Feingold	Lugar	Smith
Feinstein	McConnell	Snowe
Harkin	Menendez	Stabenow
Hatch	Mikulski	Tester
Hutchison	Murkowski	Vitter
Inouye	Murray	Voinovich
Kennedy	Nelson (FL)	Warner
Kerry	Nelson (NE)	Webb
Klobuchar	Obama	Whitehouse
Kohl	Pryor	Wyden
Landrieu	Reed	
Lautenberg	Reid	

NOT VOTING—6

Biden	Johnson	Rockefeller
Brownback	McCain	Stevens

The amendment (No. 918) was rejected.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico is recognized.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that following the disposition of the previously ordered amendments, the only other amendments in order be Senator LANDRIEU's amendment No. 975, Senator DORGAN's amendment No. 958, and a managers' amendment, which must be cleared by both managers; that after disposition of the above amendments, the bill be read the third time, and the Senate, without any intervening action or debate, vote on final passage of S. 761.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECESS

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess until 5:30 p.m.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 4:10 p.m., recessed until 5:30 p.m. and reassembled when called to order by the Presiding Officer (Mr. OBAMA).

AMERICA COMPETES ACT—Continued

AMENDMENTS NOS. 915, AS MODIFIED; 916, AS MODIFIED; 924, AS MODIFIED; 926, AS MODIFIED; 944, AS MODIFIED; 950, 951, 952, AS MODIFIED; 957, AS MODIFIED; 958, 965, AS MODIFIED; 970, AS MODIFIED; 975, 977, AND 980

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, we have a managers' package of amendments which have been cleared and which are at the desk. Some are in modified form. Let me go through the list and then ask consent for their approval:

Amendment No. 915, as modified, by Senator GRASSLEY; amendment No. 916, as modified, by Senator GRASSLEY; amendment No. 924, as modified, by Senator OBAMA; amendment No. 926, as modified, by Senator MENENDEZ; amendment No. 944, as modified, by Senator COLEMAN; amendment No. 950 by Senator BAUCUS; amendment No. 951